## Crustless Smoked Salmon, Leek, and Mushroom Quiche

## Ingredients:

- 4 eggs
- 1 and 1/2 cup milk, cream, unsweetened soy milk, or a combination (use lo fat)
- 6 ounces or so smoked salmon
- 1 large leek, with white and light green parts sliced (about 1 cup) or substitute shallots or onions
- 1 small red pepper, chopped (about half a cup)
- 4 oz raw mushrooms (wild or shitake are nice but any will do)
- 3/4 cup shredded cheese almost any kind or combo is fine, but not too much strong-flavored cheese such as parmesan
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon thyme
- pinch of cayenne pepper or a bit of hot sauce
- paprika, salt, and pepper

## Preparation:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
- 2. Saute' leeks in a little olive oil. When they begin to soften, add mushrooms. After a minute or two, add the peppers. Add a little salt, and cook for 3-4 minutes. Just before taking off heat, add the thyme.
- 3. Meanwhile, crumble salmon in pie plate. Cover with vegetables when done, and then sprinkle with the cheese.
- 4. Also meanwhile, blend eggs, milk (or other), mustard, cayenne or hot sauce, salt (about 1/2 teaspoon, but less if salmon is salty), and pepper. You can use an eggbeater or whisk, but a blender works really well.
- 5. Pour the egg mixture over the rest of the ingredients, and sprinkle with paprika.
- 6. Bake for 35-50 minutes. Start checking after half an hour. If it's getting too brown but the middle is too liquid, cover with foil. When done, the center will still be a bit loose. Take it out of the oven or the rest will overcook. In 5 minutes, the center will be done.

Nutritional Analysis: Each of 6 servings has 2.5 grams carbohydrate, 2 grams fiber, 18 grams protein, and 200 calories

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WOW Tip: Use low fat cheese to minimize saturated fat content.

